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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q52871

Mitsuhiro UCHIDA, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2612

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Examiner: James M. Hannett

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For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND IMAGE OUTPUTTING APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 7, 2004 to March 7, 2005.

A check for the statutory fee of \$330.00 is attached. (A one-month extension was paid with the filing of an Amendment and extension fee for one month on February 7, 2005). The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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